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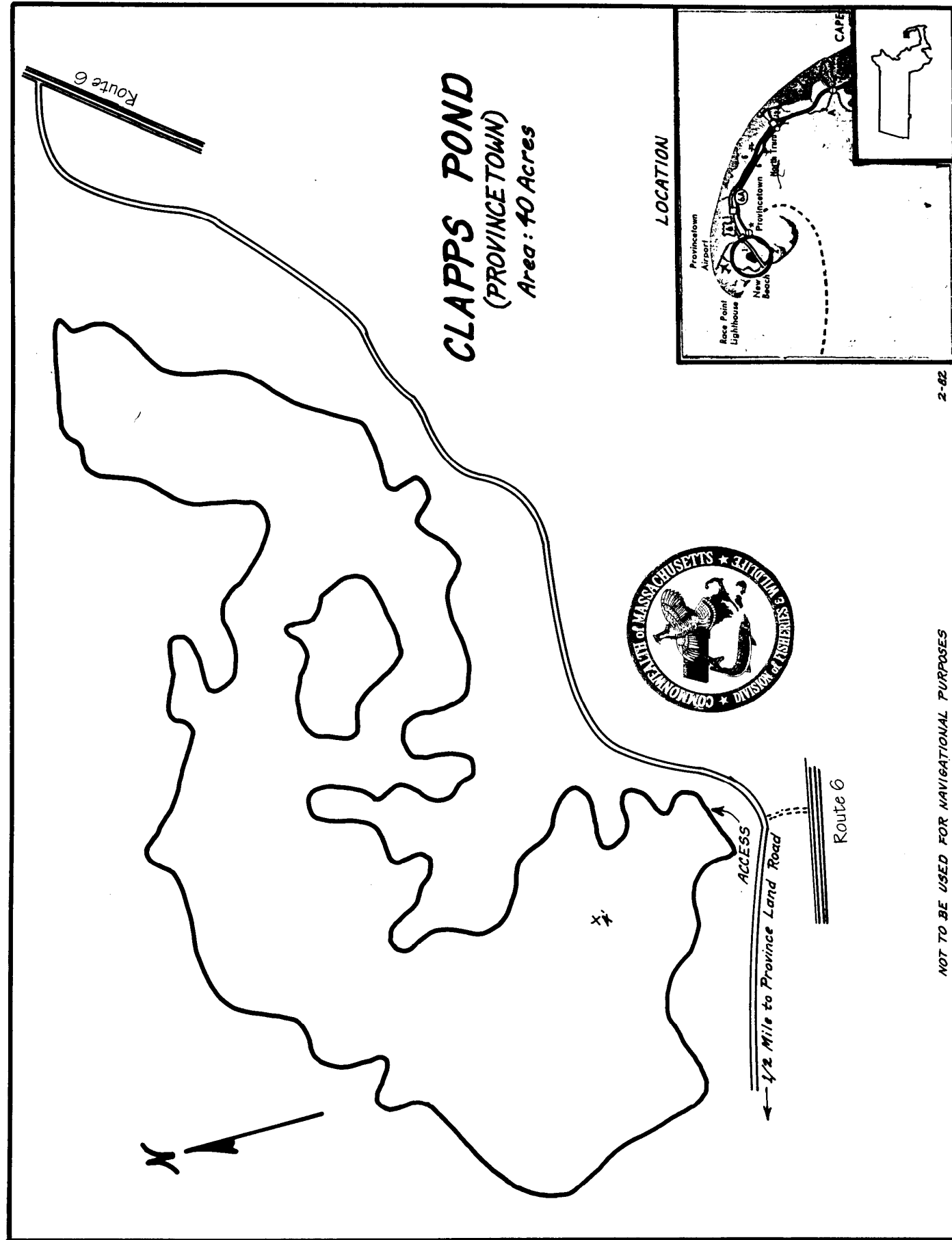
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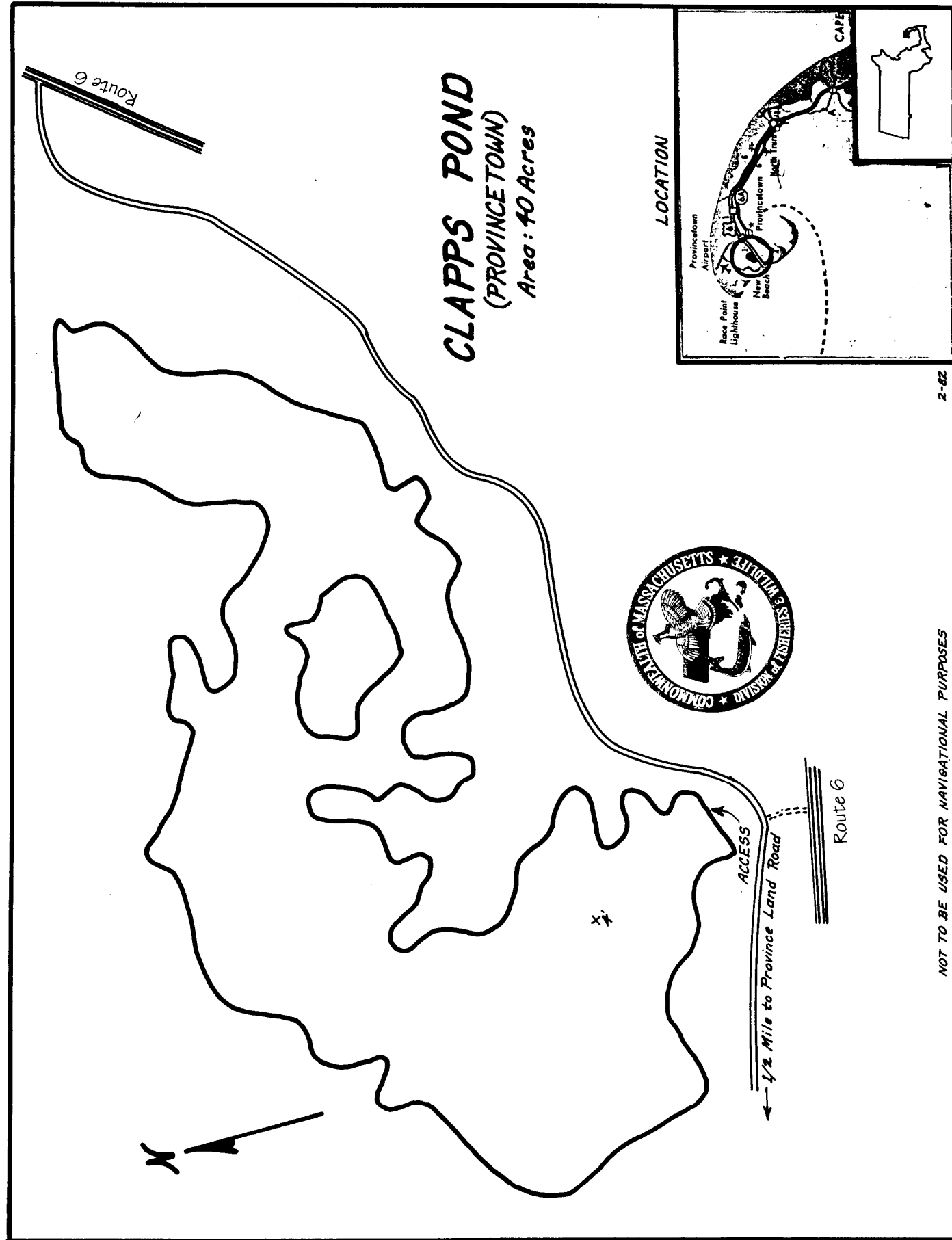
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General Information:

This is a very shallow, acidic, 40 acre warm water pond located at the far eastern tip of Cape Cod. Maximum depth is just 4 feet; average depth is roughly 3 feet. The pond is so weedy as to be swamp-like, and transparency is extremely poor, extending to just a foot or so. The bottom is muck and the shoreline is undeveloped.

Access is off Route 6 and is provided by the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife through the Clapps Pond Access and Wildlife Management Area. A dirt road provides access to a small area suitable for launching car top boats and canoes. A 4-wheel drive vehicle or pickup truck is recommended.

Fish Populations:

The fish population was last sampled in 1981, at which time four species were recorded present: chain pickerel, brown bullhead, largemouth bass and pumpkinseed.

Fishing:

This pond is very difficult to fish because of the dense weeds. However, although the scenery is nice, there is not much here that will prove attractive to anglers in search of excitement or table fare. The pond is infertile and acidified, and as a result the fish population is very sparse. Chain pickerel are the only gamefish that would offer any recreational fishing, and they exhibit below average growth.

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